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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for contingent appropriations to, and
2 allocations from, the enhance Iowa fund.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 15F.107, Code 2017, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 **15F.107 Enhance Iowa fund and appropriation.**

4 1. a. The authority shall establish a fund pursuant to
5 section 15.106A, subsection 1, paragraph "o", for purposes of
6 allocating moneys to programs ~~specified in an appropriation~~
7 ~~made to the enhance Iowa fund~~ described in this section.
8 A fund established for purposes of this section may be
9 administered as a revolving fund and may consist of any moneys
10 appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of this
11 section.

12 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, at the end of each fiscal
13 year moneys in a fund established for purposes of this section
14 shall not revert to any other fund but shall remain in the fund
15 for expenditure for subsequent fiscal years.

16 c. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or
17 earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
18 Repayments and recaptures of program moneys shall be credited
19 to the fund.

20 2. Commencing with appropriations made for purposes of
21 this section for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and
22 for each fiscal year thereafter, not to exceed a total of ten
23 fiscal year appropriations, if moneys are transferred to the
24 general fund of the state pursuant to section 8.55, subsection
25 2, paragraph "b", during a fiscal year in an amount that exceeds
26 one hundred million dollars, there is appropriated from the
27 general fund of the state to the authority for deposit in
28 the fund created pursuant to subsection 1, for that fiscal
29 year, twenty-five million dollars to be used for the purposes
30 designated in this section.

31 3. Moneys appropriated to the fund pursuant to subsection 2
32 shall be allocated by the authority for the following purposes
33 and in the following amounts:

34 a. For purposes of administration, marketing enhance Iowa
35 programs, expenses, and compensation of board members, two

1 hundred fifty thousand dollars.

2 b. For deposit in the sports tourism program fund
3 established pursuant to section 15F.403, one million dollars.

4 c. For deposit in the community attraction and tourism fund
5 established pursuant to section 15F.204, three million dollars.

6 d. For deposit in the river enhancement community attraction
7 and tourism fund established pursuant to section 15F.205, two
8 million dollars.

9 e. For allocation as grants, at the discretion of the
10 board, to the department of natural resources, the department
11 of transportation, or the department of agriculture and land
12 stewardship as follows:

13 (1) For purposes of improving state parks infrastructure,
14 financing low head dam mitigation or removal projects, or
15 funding projects under the natural resources account created in
16 section 461.32 in the natural resources and outdoor recreation
17 trust fund, two million dollars.

18 (2) For purposes of funding projects under the watershed
19 protection account created in section 461.34 in the natural
20 resources and outdoor recreation trust fund, two million
21 dollars.

22 (3) For purposes of funding projects under the trails
23 account created in section 461.37 in the natural resources and
24 outdoor recreation trust fund, two million dollars.

25 (4) The departments of natural resources, transportation,
26 and agriculture and land stewardship shall submit applications
27 to the board for each project to be funded pursuant to this
28 paragraph "e". The board shall prioritize the projects and
29 negotiate with the departments on which projects to fund
30 pursuant to this paragraph "e".

31 f. For allocation to the funds, programs, and purposes
32 described in paragraphs "a" through "e", at the discretion of
33 the board, twelve million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars.

34 4. Moneys allocated pursuant to subsection 3, paragraphs "e"
35 and "f", to the department of natural resources shall not be

1 expended by the department for the purpose of acquiring lands,
2 waters, or interests in lands and waters.

3 5. If, at any point in a fiscal year, the board determines
4 that demand for any one of the purposes described in subsection
5 3 will not meet or exceed the amounts initially allocated, the
6 board may reallocate amounts from one purpose to any of the
7 other purposes for that fiscal year or may carry the moneys
8 allocated to any one purpose over to a future fiscal year for
9 that same purpose in the next fiscal year.

10 ~~2.~~ 6. The authority shall submit a report to the general
11 assembly and the governor's office each year that moneys are
12 appropriated to the fund established in [this section](#) describing
13 the use of moneys and the results achieved under each of the
14 programs receiving fund moneys.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill provides for contingent appropriations to, and
19 allocations from, the enhance Iowa fund. The bill requires a
20 contingent fiscal year appropriation of \$25 million from the
21 general fund of the state to the enhance Iowa fund. The bill
22 provides for appropriations in that amount for 10 fiscal years,
23 beginning with the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Under the bill,
24 the \$25 million appropriation occurs only if the general fund
25 receives a transfer of over \$100 million in that fiscal year
26 from the Iowa economic emergency fund, pursuant to Code section
27 8.55. Moneys in the fund shall not revert to the general
28 fund and interest and earnings on the fund are required to be
29 credited to the fund.

30 The bill requires that the authority allocate moneys in
31 the fund to specified funds or accounts or for specified
32 purposes. The bill allows the enhance Iowa board (board) to
33 reallocate amounts from one purpose to other purposes if the
34 board determines that demand for one purpose will not meet
35 or exceed the amounts allocated for that purpose. The bill

1 provides for the following allocations in fiscal years when the
2 fund receives the appropriation of \$25 million:

- 3 1. \$250,000 for administration, expenses, and compensation of
4 board members, and marketing enhance Iowa programs.
- 5 2. \$1 million for deposit in the sports program fund.
- 6 3. \$3 million for deposit in the community attraction and
7 tourism fund.
- 8 4. \$2 million for deposit in the river enhancement community
9 attraction and tourism fund.
- 10 5. \$6 million for allocation as grants, at the discretion
11 of the board, to the department of natural resources,
12 the department of transportation, or the department of
13 agriculture and land stewardship for specified allowable
14 purposes. Under the bill, the departments are required
15 to submit applications to the board for each project to
16 be funded from the \$6 million allocation and the board is
17 required to prioritize the projects and negotiate with the
18 departments on which projects to fund.
- 19 6. \$12.75 million for allocation, at the discretion of the
20 board, to the above-listed funds, programs, and purposes.

21 Under the bill, the department of natural resources is
22 prohibited from using moneys from the fund to acquire lands,
23 waters, and interests in lands and waters.